

presented as an array **10** of word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** printed on a plurality of sheets of paper.

**[0027]** The array **10** may include one or more lines of word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** and/or one or more columns of word clusters. Alternatively, the array **10** of word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may be arranged in a pattern other than lines and/or columns. For example, the word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may be randomly arranged on one or more pages of the display medium.

**[0028]** The word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** of the array **10** may be arranged vertically across a page, wherein a consecutive word cluster is positioned below a preceding cluster, as shown in FIG. 2. Alternatively, the word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** of the array **10** may be arranged horizontally across a page, wherein a consecutive word cluster is positioned to the right (or left) of a preceding cluster. It should be understood that, once the end of a page is reached, the next word cluster may begin a new line or column.

**[0029]** Each word cluster **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may include a plurality of words. In one aspect, a word cluster may include a minimum of two words and a maximum of fifty words. In another aspect, a word cluster may include a minimum of one word and a maximum of ten words.

**[0030]** Each word cluster **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may include one or more lines. In one aspect, a word cluster may include a minimum of one line and a maximum of ten lines. In another aspect, a word cluster may include a minimum of one line and a maximum of six lines. In another aspect, a word cluster may include a minimum of two lines and maximum of four lines.

**[0031]** Each line of words in a word cluster **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may include one or more words. In one aspect, a line may include a minimum of one word and a maximum of ten words. In another aspect, a line may include a minimum of one word and a maximum of six words. In another aspect, a line may include a minimum of two words and maximum of four words.

**[0032]** The maximum and minimum number of words, lines of words and/or words per line may be selected by the author, editor or the like or, alternatively, may be preprogrammed into a processing device adapted to arrange a text into word clusters.

**[0033]** In one aspect, the size of a word cluster (i.e., the maximum and minimum number of words, lines of words and/or words per line) may be dictated by the horizontal and vertical apprehension span of the reader. In another aspect, the size of a word cluster may be dictated by the complexity of the words within the word cluster. For example, a word cluster may be sized such that it is capable of being comprehended as whole by a reader of average skill.

**[0034]** Referring to FIG. 2, word cluster **12** includes nine words arranged into three lines of words, wherein the first line of words includes five words, the second line of words includes three words and the third line of words includes one word.

**[0035]** Each word cluster **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** within the array **10** may be separated from adjacent word clusters by a space or margin **26**. A space **26** may be provided to the left, right, top and/or bottom of a word cluster. The space **26** may include no text. In one aspect, the space **26** may be larger (e.g., about 1.5 to about 4 times larger) than the space between each word of the word cluster and/or the space between each line of the word cluster.

**[0036]** In one aspect, a word cluster **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** may be an individual thought group separated from the full text. A thought group may include a single word (e.g., an interjection, the word “boom” and/or other onomatopoeic words or the like) or a plurality of words linked by a commonality and constrained by an estimate of the apprehension span of a typical reader or by the limits for line length and number of lines per word cluster set by the user of the system and method.

**[0037]** Elements of commonality within a thought group may be one or more of the following: names (e.g., proper and/or common), nouns or verbs which rely on modifiers for understanding and their modifiers (e.g., noun clauses and phrases, phrasal verbs (preposition plus verb), infinitives (“to” plus verb stem) and/or prepositional phrases), phrases, dependent clauses and independent clauses.

**[0038]** Elements of text that may determine the end of a thought group may be one or more of the following: periods, question marks, exclamation points, commas, colons, semicolons and other sentence terminating elements.

**[0039]** Accordingly, a text, such as the text presented in FIG. 1, may be broken down into an array **10** of word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24** by identifying thought groups within the text. Referring to FIG. 1 for example, the first thought group may be identified by punctuation, such as the first comma of FIG. 1. Thus, the language “As part of the response to the embassy bombings,” may be considered a thought group and arranged into a first word cluster **12**, as shown in FIG. 2. For example, the word cluster **12** may be broken down into three lines, the first line being “As part of the response,” the second line being “to the embassy” and the third line being “bombings.”

**[0040]** Various other arrangements of the word cluster **12** are within the scope of the present system and method. For example, the first word cluster **12** may be arranged to include four lines, wherein the first line is “as part of,” the second line is “the response,” the third line is “to the embassy” and the fourth line is “bombings.”

**[0041]** Thus, a text may be broken down into a plurality of thought groups, wherein each thought group may correspond to a single word cluster. As discussed above, thought groups may be identified using phrase boundaries, punctuation and word types. In another aspect, an author may choose his or her own thought groups. In another aspect, an automated program may be used to identify thought groups within a text by applying various linguistic criteria, such as the criteria discussed above.

**[0042]** Once a text has been broken down into an array **10** of word clusters **12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24**, selected words within a word cluster may be emphasized by altering the typeface, changing the font and/or changing the color of the selected words with respect to the other words of the word cluster. As shown in FIG. 2, the words “embassy” and “bombings” have been emphasized by bolding the selected words.

**[0043]** Selected words may be emphasized in various ways. The words in the word cluster **12** may be presented in a Times New Roman typeface with a 14 point font, as shown in FIG. 3A. The word “embassy” may then be emphasized by altering the typeface of the word “embassy” with respect to the other word in the word cluster. For example, the word “embassy” may be bolded, as shown in FIGS. 2 and 3B, italicized, as shown in FIG. 3C or underlined, as shown in FIG. 3D. In another aspect, the word “embassy” may be presented in a different typeface, such as, for example, Arial, as shown in